

The Georgia Board of Nursing met February 26, 2003 via teleconference at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217-3858.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeanette Bernhardt, RN, Ph.D
Karen Coolidge, BSHE
Joan Darden, BSN, MSN, Ph.D
Linda Roberts-Betsch, RN, DSN, President
Marbury Stegall, RN, MN, CS
Mildred Skipwith Drayton, RN, BS

MEMBERS ABSENT

Martha McGill, RN, BSN, MBA, MHA, Vice-President

STAFF PRESENT

Sandy Bond, RN, MSN, MBA Executive Director
Frank Brown, RN, BSN, CLC, Nursing Consultant – Discipline/Legal
Katrina Martin, RN, BSN, Nursing Practice Consultant
Julia Gould, RN, MS, Nursing Education Consultant
Terry Grandison, Director of Enforcement/Investigations
Kathy Harvey, Supervisor, Investigations
Ylice Crews, Administrative Assistant
Monica Bridges-Roberts, Board Secretary
Janet Jackson, Assistant Attorney General

Dr. Roberts-Betsch called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Mrs. Stegall moved, Mrs. Skipwith Drayton seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k), 43-1-19(h), and 43-26-11 to deliberate enforcement matters and to receive information on investigative reports and administrative cases. The motion passed unanimously. Those who voted to enter into Executive Session: Dr. Bernhardt, Mrs. Coolidge, Mrs. Stegall, Mrs. Skipwith Drayton, and Dr. Darden.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, Dr. Roberts-Betsch declared the meeting to be "Open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. 5014-1-et. seq.

RNI030172- Mrs. Skipwith Drayton moved to offer voluntary surrender and refer to the Attorney General's office for an Expedited Confidential order for an Outpatient M/P/E utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board Member for Disciplinary Action and the Nursing Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close case. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried with Ms. Stegall abstaining.

RNI030170- Mrs. Skipwith Drayton moved to offer voluntary surrender and refer to the Attorney General's office for an Expedited Confidential order for an Outpatient M/P/E utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board Member for Disciplinary Action and the Nursing Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close case. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried with Ms. Stegall and Dr. Bernhardt abstaining.

3801000098- Ms. Stegall moved to write a letter informing the South Carolina Board of non-compliance of the existing Consent Order and the lapsed status of the licensee's Georgia license. The GBON licensing system should also reflect licensee as non-compliant. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

3801990126/03801020080- Dr. Bernhardt moved to grant licensee personal appearance at the next scheduled Board meeting, March 27-28, 2003. The Board will review request to lift suspension of license and also requests return/surrender of pocket card. Ms. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI030155- Dr. Bernhardt move to accept the Confidential Order for an Expedited Mental/Physical Examination as prepared by the Attorney General's office, which requires the nurse to have an outpatient MPE utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board Member for Disciplinary Action and the Nursing Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close the case. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried with Ms. Stegall abstaining.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Terri Grandison, Director of Enforcement/ Investigation, presented to the Board a tentative plan in addressing concerns of safety in rendering care, self-report, and drug screening. The Board requested a draft be forwarded for review.

Mrs. Bond discussed the NCSBN Agenda and the Board meeting in Savannah, March 25-28, 2003. The Board agreed to meet in the evening of March 27, 2003 and conclude on Friday, March 28, 2003 to include personal appearances and Enforcement (via Teleconference).

Mrs. Bond updated the Board on the status of Renewals/ Reinstatements. At this time, she reviewed two cases with the Board:

1. Kim Troike- The Board stated that the usual procedures be followed with Reinstatements.
2. Michele Spears-Sevy- Letter reviewed and suggestions taken under advisement.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Linda Roberts-Betsch, President

Mollie L. Fleeman, Division Director

These minutes were recorded by Monica Bridges-Roberts, Board Secretary, and approved on March 27, 2003.